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WHEN: Monday, February 5, 7:30 p.m.

PLACE: Agee Hall, U. S. F. & A. Experiment Station

SUBJECT: "The Marine Biogeography of Australian Coasts." (Illustrated)

SPEAKER: Dr. Bryan Womersley, Reader in Botany, University of Adelaide, Adelaide, South Australia. The speaker is on a study leave (sabbatical) and will be here for over one month. He leaves Hawaii on Feb. 27 for a visit to scientific institutions and universities in Vancouver, Minnesota, and California for a period of three months. Dr. Womersley first visited Hawaii ten years ago, and most recently for the South Pacific Science Congress last summer.

BUSINESS (Old Business):

(1) The Executive Committee recommended that the dues be increased from the present $1.00 to $2.00 a year. It is interesting to note that 13 years ago, the dues were $1.00. The necessity for increasing the dues are additional expenses, the need to make significant contributions to other groups, and a newsletter.

(2) Newsletter: This matter was also recommended by the Executive Committee at the last meeting. It would include society news, agenda (old business), the meeting notice; newsworth items about events, people, etc., from the different botanical institutions, agencies, and organizations; and general interest articles. "Reporters" would be appointed from each group. The deadline would be on the 20th of each month. (This is just a sample). It has been suggested that the name Koki'o be the one for the newsletter, for Hibiscus Kokio Hillebrand was designated the official flower in 1923. This endemic red Hibiscus has been collected from Kauai, Oahu, and Molokai.

DUES: When the amount of the dues has been determined by the Society, please remit them to the Treasurer: Mr. H. M. Ash, Castle & Cooke, Inc., P. O. Box 2990, Honolulu 2.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE: Dr. Constance Hartt (HSPA), chairman; Mr. Ichi Yanagihara (PRI), and Dr. H. Kanemoto (HAES, UH). According to the Constitution, all nominations to membership "shall be made in writing to the Committee on Membership, the signatures of four members of the Society being required for each nominee. The Committee shall investigate the qualifications of each person nominated for membership and report the result to the Society with or without a recommendation."

PURPOSES OF YOUR SOCIETY: To advance the science of Botany in all its applications; to encourage research in Botany in all its phases; and to promote the welfare of its members and to develop the spirit of good fellowship and cooperation among them.

OFFICERS: President - Dr. Charles H. Lamoureux is Assistant Professor of Botany, University of Hawaii. He was in Hawaii 1953-55, receiving his master's degree from the University. His specializations include plant anatomy and morphology (and taxonomy). Recent activities during the fall was a trip to the Leeward Islands and a series of TV programs. Vice-President - Dr. Maxwell S. Doty is Professor of Botany, University of Hawaii. He has been in the islands since 1951, and is the "limu" specialist. He coordinates the botanical aspects in the UH's marine biology program. Secretary - Mr. Ching Ho Chock is Plant Quarantine Inspector, Agricultural Research Service, USDA. Treasurer - Mr. [illegible] Ash is Assistant Botanist, B. P. Bishop Museum, and Lecturer in Botany, UH. Mr. Ash is in plant taxonomy. Treasurer - Mr. [illegible] Ash is Executive Secretary, Castle & Cooke, Inc. He has been treasurer of the Society since 1940.

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